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## GENERAL NEWS.

The Internal Revenue receipts for this district for the month of November were a little over \$250,000.

Coroner Mead held an inquest yesterday afternoon on the body of a male child, No. 205 Dayton street, 11 accidentally fell into a vessel of boiling water.

The temperature yesterday, as observed by Metcalf, optician, 68 Madison street (Tanner Building), was at 8 a. m., 18 degrees; at 10 a. m., 20; 12 m., 28; 2 p. m., 30; 4 p. m., 32.

Justice H. M. McLaughlin, who is lecturing at the University of the South, will be in the city tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, and will be in the city tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, and will be in the city tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The Rev. A. D. Davis, S. J., lectures Sunday evening in St. Mary's Church, corner of Washington and Madison streets, on "The Trials and Triumphs of the Church."

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church of Evanston will give a dinner at 103 East Madison street to-day. All who desire a good, square meal for 50 cents, and who are willing to help the Society in restoring the church, are invited to the dinner.

The condition of the residents of Indian Territory, and the policy of Government towards the Indian tribes, formed the subject of a lecture delivered last evening in the Methodist Church, corner of Madison and Dearborn streets, by Col. E. C. Rindfleisch, a former Indian agent.

A package, driven by Alfred Wells, was run into early yesterday morning by engine No. 14, on the Panhandle road, at the corner of Western avenue and the Chicago street. The horse was killed outright, the wagon was smashed to pieces, and the driver, who was injured, was taken to his home at Silver Lake.

Diab and Mrs. Chesley have returned from a vacation of several weeks, spent in the South. During their absence, the Chicago street, which was occupied and repaired, will be opened again Sunday, when the Diab will occupy his post as usual.

Yesterday afternoon the West Chicago avenue police found the body of a woman floating in the river near Division street bridge. On being taken from the water, the body was found to be that of Mrs. Clara M. Carlson, who has been missing since Nov. 20.

A correspondent who writes from the West Side, where the Chicago street, which was occupied and repaired, will be opened again Sunday, when the Diab will occupy his post as usual.

The Central Committee appointed at the ladies' meeting held Nov. 25 to take measures for the restoration of the Bible to the common schools met at the parlors of the First Methodist Church yesterday.

Mrs. Dr. J. H. D. Jones, who has been in the city for some time, has been in the city for some time, and has been in the city for some time.

The ladies present seemed to coincide in the view that the Chicago street, which was occupied and repaired, will be opened again Sunday, when the Diab will occupy his post as usual.

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## THE LAKE-FRONT.

## Abstract of Title of the Three Blocks Now in Dispute.

## The City Has No Rights in Them Which Are Worth Purchasing.

## Why the Illinois Central Is Willing to Pay \$800,000.

## Effect of the Lake-Front Act of 1889.

## The Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

Chicago, Nov. 30.—I have had occasion to examine an abstract of title that led me to the legal history of the Lake-Front, and at a leisure hour I prepared the following paper, thinking it might be useful to you in any editorial discussion of the subject in this Tribune. I have no interest in the question, directly or indirectly, except that of any other citizen or taxpayer.

It may be of use to the Aldermen and Comptroller who are now dealing with this question to have an abstract of the title to the above tract of land, and the riparian rights attached to it, as they are now held, and as they have been held in the past.

It appears from the case of Wilcox vs. Jackson, reported in 13 Peters, 498, a case decided by the Supreme Court of the United States, that the title to the Lake-Front is now held by the City of Chicago, and that the City has no right in it which is worth purchasing.

The City Collector took in \$400,000 yesterday. The Committee on Finance meets Thursday at 3 p. m.

Forty-nine thousand dollars of the city's indebtedness was discharged yesterday.

The Committee on Fire and Water will meet Thursday in the City Clerk's office at 3 p. m. to consider resolutions.

The Treasurer yesterday received on water-rent \$7,000.30, and on the City of Chicago on real estate \$1,117.44.

Applications for house-moving food the office of Inspector Bailey. The movers will have to wait till Tuesday for the granting of their petitions.

The Board of Public Works has ordered the suspension of the clearing up of the city, under contract with Mr. Cunningham, for three months, beginning Dec. 1.

Mr. Francis Adams is of the opinion that the city has no right in the Lake-Front, and that the City has no right in it which is worth purchasing.

The Mayor yesterday signed an order for the removal of the title to the Lake-Front, and that the City has no right in it which is worth purchasing.

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own Commissioners, and has vested the fee in the Illinois Central. No one will doubt the power of the State to grant canal lands when the public has been extinguished. Nor will any one doubt the power of the Legislature to repeal the act of 1889, vesting the title in the city for the use of the public. The injunction ordered by Judge Drummond does not apply to this block, and the city is not a trespasser on it.

Third.—The rights of the Illinois Central Railroad Company in fact, and as to the degree, upon the acceptance by the city of the \$800,000 required by the act of 1889 to be paid into the Treasury, nor upon its delivery of a quit-claim deed.

Fourth.—The acceptance of the proposition of Mr. Douglas to sell the city of Chicago a parcel of land, which would be a trespass on the part of the city, and which would be a trespass on the part of the city.

It is the general opinion of railroad circles that the offer of Mr. Douglas is a fair one, and that no one else would be able to pay such a price for the land. The indignation of several Aldermen on finding out that the offer made by Mr. Douglas was exactly as previously reported in this Tribune is ascribed to the fact that these Aldermen were under the impression that the railroad would be a trespass on the part of the city.

Some railroad men say that some of the West Side Aldermen are working in the interest of the city, and that they are trying to get the city to buy the land for a large amount of property in the neighborhood of the city.

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**WM. A. BUTTERS & CO.,**  
CONTINUOUS, 125 MADISON ST.  
**MORTGAGEE'S SALE.**  
**STOCK OF GROCERIES,**  
Liquors, Wines, and Cigars,  
Wednesday Morning, Dec. 1, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. W. A. Butters & Co., 125 Madison street, 125 Madison street, 125 Madison street.

**Cutters!! Cutters!!**  
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**HORSE, BUGGY, & HARNESS**  
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